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ABSTRACT

Library networks all over the United States are listed in this directory. For the purposes of this list, a library network is defined as a cooperative effort which involves different types of libraries or which employs advanced telecommunication links. Coverage is most complete for states which have published information on their networking activities. Many equivalent efforts of states which have not published information may be omitted. Entries are listed alphabetically by the network's acronym or initialism. Each entry provides the network's name and address and a brief outline of its age, coverage, and/or special features. When possible, a citation is given to a document which provides further description of the network. An ED number is given for those cited documents which are currently available through the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC). (Author/SL)

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INTRODUCTION

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This draft edition is presented in hopes of receiving reader feedback. In order to expand and improve the list, readers are requested to return the form found on the next page with any suggested additions or corrections. A revised list is scheduled to appear in late 1975.

Each entry includes the acronym or initials, name, and address of a network. A citation to a document for further information is given when possible. Many of these cited documents are formative descriptions of the network and do not reflect the latest developments in this fast-changing field. An ED number is given for items currently available through the Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC). For ordering information, see the last page.

The following abbreviations appear in the annotations:

BALLOTS--Bibliographic Automation of Large Library Operations using a Time-Sharing System

LSCA--Library Services and Construction Act.

Return to: Library Networking, ERIC Clearinghouse on Information Systems
SCRDT, Bureau of Libraries, Educational Research and Development
California State Library, Sacramento, California 95814

Additional networks

(1) Acronym

Full Name

Address

Person in charge

Number of member libraries

Special activities

References

(2) Acronym

Full Name

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Person in charge

Number of member libraries

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Changes which should be made in this list

ABC Amigos Bibliographic Council. P.O. Box 688, Richardson, Texas 75080. Involves 60 institutions in Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Arizona in resource sharing and shared cataloging using OCLC.

AWLNET Area Wide Library Network. Fresno County Library, 2420 Mariposa Street, Fresno, California 93721. A new network covering Fresno, Kings, Madera, and Tulare Counties, California.

BARC Bay Area Reference Center. San Francisco Public Library, Civic Center, San Francisco, California 94102. A reference network. Answers questions and provides continuing education for public librarians in Northern California, CIN, and non-public librarians in San Francisco. Has contact with University of California at Berkeley for the use of its reference resources.

Ramirez, William L., "San Francisco's BARC," News Notes of California Libraries, Summer 1970, pp. 535-538.

CAL Central Association of Libraries. c/o Stockton-San Joaquin County Library, 605 N. El Dorado, Stockton, California 95202. Includes all types of libraries in Amador County, Calaveras County, San Joaquin County, Stanislaus County, and Tuolumne County, California.

CIN Cooperative Information Network. Room 205, Main Library, Stanford University Libraries, Stanford, California 94305. Includes all types of libraries in San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, and Monterey Counties, California, in resource sharing.

Markoe, Ronny. The Cooperative Information Network; A Report. Sacramento: California Library Association, 1974. 6p. ED 097 023.

COIN Central Ohio Information Network. Mansfield Public Library, 43 W. Third Street, Mansfield, Ohio 44902. One of 9 multicounty cooperative projects in Ohio funded under short-term LSCA grants. Serves 8 counties.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

CORAL Council of Research & Academic Libraries. c/o Brother Paul Novosal, S.M., Director of Libraries, St. Mary's University, 2700 Cincinnati Avenue, San Antonio, Texas 78228. Sixteen cooperating libraries serving the greater San Antonio area--including public, special, academic, hospital, and Air Force. Projects include union catalog, interlibrary loan, reciprocal borrowing, and personnel training.

I-LITE Iowa Library Information Teletype Exchange. State Library Commission of Iowa, Historical Bldg., 12th & Grand, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. A system designed to provide for a thorough search of the participating libraries' collections through the use of a public library wheel network and an academic wheel network.

Schaumburg, Sheila, Ed. A Manual for Library Administrators and TWX Operators. Des Moines: Iowa State Library Commission, 1974. 54p. ED 089 694.

ILLINET Illinois Library and Information Network. c/o Illinois State Library, 701 S. Second Street, Springfield, Illinois 62756. A statewide cooperative effort involving all types of libraries. Provides access to materials and information for all library users in the state.

InCoLSA Indiana Cooperative Library Services Authority, 1100 West 42nd Street, Indianapolis, Indiana 46208. A public corporation with approximately 100 members. Includes all types of libraries.

Markuson, Barbara Evans. The Indiana Cooperative Library Services Authority; A Plan for the Future. Summary Report. Indianapolis: Indiana State Library, 1974. 58p.

INFO Lorain Public Library, 351 Sixth Street, Lorain, Ohio 44052. One of 9 multicounty cooperative projects in Ohio funded under short-term LSCA grants. Serves Lorain and Medina Counties.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

IRLC Illinois Regional Library Council. 125 Tower Drive, Hinsdale, Illinois 60521. Includes public, academic, and special libraries in a six-county metropolitan area.

Casey, Genevieve M. The Public Library in the Network Mode: A Preliminary Investigation. Commissioned Paper Project, Teachers College, No. 8. New York: Columbia University, 1974. 124p. ED 098 990.

IUC Inter-University Council of the North Texas Area. P.O. Box 30365, Dallas, Texas 75230. Established in 1964 to provide library services to 14 member libraries. Services provided include extensive interinstitutional library loans, private interinstitutional teletype system among a majority of IUC libraries, daily courier service, and duplicate exchange. IUC is currently completing an agreement with OCLC for leased telephone interconnection to OCLC computer-based cataloging.

LOCNET Libraries of Orange County Network. Orange County Public Library, 431 S. Manchester Avenue, Orange, California 92668. Its 34 members represent college and university libraries, public library systems, and special libraries.

METRO New York Metropolitan Reference and Research Library Agency. 11 W. 40th Street, New York, New York 10018. Established to improve reference and research library services in the New York Metropolitan Area. Now numbers some 63 members including public, academic, private, and quasi-public special libraries.

Casey, Genevieve M. The Public Library in the Network Mode: A Preliminary Investigation. Commissioned Papers Project, Teachers College, No. 8. New York: Columbia University, 1974. 124p. ED 098 990.

MIDLNET Midwestern Regional Library Network. c/o W. Carl Jackson, Indiana University Library, Bloomington, Indiana 47401. A new network organized in April 1975. It proposes to include university and state libraries and state library networks.

"A New Network Is Born," American Libraries, 6:341, June 1975.

MILO Miami Valley Library Organization. c/o Dayton and Montgomery County Public Library, 215 E. Third Street, Dayton, Ohio 45402. One of 9 multicounty cooperative projects in Ohio funded under short-term LSCA grants. Serves 7 counties.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

MINITEX Minnesota Interlibrary Teletype Exchange. Wilson Library, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455. A large group of public and academic libraries working to meet patron needs by regional sharing of resources and by access to the University's extensive collection.

Stanford, Edward B. MINITEX (Minnesota Interlibrary Teletype Experiment); Report Covering the First 18 Months of Project Operation, January 1, 1969 through June 30, 1970. Minneapolis: Minnesota University, 1970. 42p. ED 046 469.

MLC Michigan Library Consortium. Purdy Library, Wayne State University, Detroit, Michigan 48202. Includes college, university, and municipal libraries and the state library, with 52 members as of June 15, 1975. Has a contract under which 30 members should have access to OCLC by the end of 1976.

MOLO Mideastern Ohio Library Organization. 700 Lincoln Avenue, Louisville, Ohio 44641. One of 9 multicounty cooperative projects in Ohio funded under short-term LSCA grants. Serves 6 counties.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

NELINET New England Library Information Network. New England Board of Higher Education, 20 Walnut Street, Wellesley, Massachusetts 02181. A regional system designed to provide academic and public libraries of New England, without regard to size, with computer-aided support services.

New England Library Information Network, Final Report. Wellesley, Massachusetts: New England Board of Higher Education, 1970. 175p. ED 058 898.

NOLA Northeastern Ohio Library Association. Youngstown Metropolitan Housing Authority Building, 118 E. Wood Street, Youngstown, Ohio 44503. One of 9 multicounty cooperative projects in Ohio funded by short-term LSCA grants. Serves five counties.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

NORWELD Northwestern Library District. Wood County District Public Library, 251 Main Street, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402. One of 9 multicounty cooperatives in Ohio funded by short-term LSCA grants. Serves 11 counties.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

NYSILL New York State Interlibrary Loan Network. Interlibrary Loan Unit. New York State Library, Albany, New York 12224.

Casey, Genevieve M. The Public Library in the Network Mode: A Preliminary Investigation. Commissioned Papers Project, Teachers College, No. 8. New York: Columbia University, 1974. 124p. ED 093 990.

OCLC Ohio College Library Center. 1314 Kinnear Road, Columbus, Ohio 43212. One of the most active of the computer-based networks. Offers to its members on-line access to both local input and MARC derived cataloging information; on-line location of materials for interlibrary loan; and on-line training sessions for catalogers. Serves 240 libraries.

Kilgour, Frederick G., and Hillis D. Davis, Comps. The Development of a Computerized Regional Library System. Final Report. Columbus: Ohio College Library Center, 1973. 58p. ED 080 117.

OTIS Oklahoma Teletype Interlibrary System. Oklahoma Department of Libraries, P.O. Box 53344, 109 State Capitol, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73105. Established in 1968 to provide any library in the state with improved access to library resources.

Casey, Genevieve M. OTIS: An Evaluation of the Oklahoma Teletypewriter Interlibrary System. Oklahoma City: Oklahoma Council on Libraries, 1969. 122p. ED 042 480.

OVAL Ohio Valley Area Libraries. 8 Ohio Avenue, Wellston, Ohio 45692. An area library service organization, established and supported through state funds.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

PALINET Pennsylvania Area Library Network. Offices of the Union Library Catalogue of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Serves 50 libraries with OCLC and other cooperative programs.

Nitecki, Joseph Z. OCLC In Retrospect; A Review of the Impact of the OCLC System on the Administration of a Large University Technical Services Operations. Philadelphia: Temple University, 1974. 43p. ED 087 482.

PLAN Public Library Automation Network. Includes those libraries to be most involved in an LSCA demonstration project test of Stanford's BALLOTS computer program for bibliographic control. The libraries are Los Angeles County, Los Angeles Public, Marin County, Orange County, San Francisco Public, Santa Clara County, and Sutter County.

PNBC Pacific Northwest Bibliographic Center. Rm. 253, Suzzallo Library, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington 98105. A switching center through which libraries of all types in a geographical region composed of Alaska, British Columbia, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington share their resources via interlibrary loan.

Taylor, David W. An Operations Research Study of the Pacific Northwest Bibliographic Center: Final Report. Olympia: Washington State Library, 1972. 115p. ED 065 127.

PRLC Pittsburgh Regional Library Center. Beatty Hall, Chatham College, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15232. Established in 1967 to promote library services, to advance library science, and to encourage interlibrary cooperation among public and private libraries in Pittsburgh and the surrounding areas.

Minder, Thomas. The Regional Library Center in the Mid 1970's; A Concept Paper. Pittsburgh: Pittsburgh University, 1968. 45p. ED 039 910.

SALINET Satellite Library Information Network. c/o Dr. Margaret Goggin, University of Denver, Graduate School of Librarianship, University Park, Denver, Colorado 80210. Project designed to experiment in the extension of library services to sparsely populated regions of the 12 Rocky Mountain and Northern Plains states via a communications satellite to be launched by NASA in 1975.

SCAN Southern California Answering Network. Los Angeles Public Library, 630 W. Fifth Street, Los Angeles, California 90017. One of California's two regional resource centers.

Greenwald, Evelyn. "Southern California Answering Network," News Notes of California Libraries, Summer 1970, pp. 539-42.

SLICE Southwestern Library Interstate Cooperative Endeavor. 7371 Paldao Drive, Dallas, Texas 75240. A project designed to determine the feasibility of sharing library resources, personnel, and expertise in a six state area -- Arizona, Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas. Among its goals -- to demonstrate the concept of interstate cooperation and to establish a project concerned with continuing education of librarians in the Southwest.

Annual Report of the Southwestern Library Interstate Cooperative Endeavor (SLICE) Project of the Southwestern Library Association (1st, October 1, 1971 to December 31, 1972); and Final Report for Council on Library Resources. Dallas, Texas: Southwestern Library Interstate Cooperative Endeavor, 1972. 152p. ED 072 783.

SOLINET Southeastern Library Network. Suite 820, 615 Peachtree Street N.E., Atlanta, Georgia 30308. Includes 99 academic and public libraries in 10 Southeastern States. Plans to acquire electronic data processing and telecommunications equipment to improve access to bibliographic information and resources, an interim step to establishing its own computer center in Atlanta. SOLINET plans a tie-in arrangement with OCLC in Columbus.

SOLO Southeastern Ohio Library Organization. c/o Ray Mulhern, P.O. Box 355, Caldwell, Ohio 43724. One of 9 multicounty cooperatives in Ohio funded by short-term LSCA grants. Serves 9 counties.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

SWORL Southwestern Ohio Rural Libraries. Wilmington Public Library, 268 N. South Street, Wilmington, Ohio 45177. One of 9 multicounty cooperatives in Ohio funded by short-term LSCA grants. Serves 7 counties.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

TIE Total Interlibrary Exchange. Santa Barbara Public Library, P.O. Box 1019, Santa Barbara, California 93102. Library network which grew out of the Black Gold System. Covers Santa Barbara, Ventura, and Kern Counties. Includes all types of libraries.

Casey, Genevieve M. The Public Library in the Network Mode: A Preliminary Investigation. Commissioned Papers Project, Teachers College. No. 8. New York: Columbia University, 1974. 124p. ED 098 990.

TWXIL TWX Interlibrary Loan Network. Ohio State Library, 65 S. Front Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Functions throughout the state of Ohio.

Palmer, Richard. TWXIL: TWX Interlibrary Loan Network. Columbus: Ohio State Library, 1974. 20p. ED 098 922.

WICHE Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education. P.O. Drawer P, Boulder, Colorado 80302. A multi-state compact for higher education programs, which in 1972 began a project to establish a continuing education program for library personnel. WICHE is currently overseeing the proposed creation of a Western Regional Library Network, which could include 17 states.

Lee, Robert. A Plan for Developing a Regional Program of Continuing Education for Library Personnel in the Western States. Boise, Idaho: Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education, 1969. 66p. ED 047 767.

WLN Washington Library Network. c/o Ms. Mary Jane Reed, Associate Director, Washington State Library, Olympia, Washington 98504. Currently consists of 8 regional libraries, one college library, and the state library. A shared cataloging program will be expanded to include acquisitions by fall. The inclusion of more libraries and other services is planned.

WORLDS Western Ohio Regional Library Development System. 640 W. Market Street, Lima, Ohio 45805. One of 9 multicounty cooperatives in Ohio funded by short-term LSCA grants. Serves 8 counties.

Goldwyn, A.J. and Genevieve Casey. Toward Tomorrow's Area Library Service, A Survey of Regional Library Cooperation in Ohio - 1974. Columbus: State Library of Ohio, 1975.

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